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**Office of the Superintendent**

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**Subject: Regional Stay-At-Home Order**

Dear San Dieguito Union High School District Community,

As you may know, Gov. Gavin Newsom yesterday issued a regional stay-at-home order that will impact many businesses and industries in San Diego County for at least three weeks, starting this month. The order is applicable in areas where hospitals' intensive care unit (ICU) capacity falls below 15%.

The order does not modify existing state guidance regarding K-12 schools. **Our schools remain open** and will continue to provide targeted support for small priority groups of students to ensure our most vulnerable students can access in-person teaching and learning. School sites will also continue expanding access for groups of students to be on campus.

The order, which divides California into five regions, prohibits private gatherings of any size; closes operations for sectors such as bars and wineries, and salons; and requires 100% masking and physical distancing in retail and other sectors. San Diego County is in the Southern California Tier, which also includes Imperial, Inyo, Los Angeles, Mono, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura counties. You can find more details about the order as well as a collection of Frequently Asked Questions on the [state's website](#).

Our guiding principle has always been focused on the health and safety of our students, families, staff, and community. We are closely monitoring the situation and will continue to work with local public health and update our [Safe Reopening Page](#) as we move forward. Our plans remain focused on a safe return to campus for all students, and we will continue working towards the goal of providing a one day of week in-person option as well as continue to offer an online option for students beginning the week of January 4, 2021.

Please continue to stay connected to your school sites as they provide updated communications and information relevant to each particular campus in the following weeks.

Robert Haley  
Superintendent  
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